

CLAIMS

1. A canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard comprising:

a frame, said frame being sized and shaped to extend over a perimeter of a co-sleeper, crib or play yard;

- 5 said frame comprising at least three canopy support arms and an arm attachment portion;

each of said canopy support arms having a first end and a second end and being attached at said first end to said arm attachment portion;

- 10 a canopy cover, said canopy cover having an inner surface and an outer surface and being sized and shaped to fit over said frame;

said canopy cover being formed of flexible material and having a top and a surrounding lower edge; and

- 15 an elastic member, said elastic member urging said canopy support arms and said surrounding lower edge of said canopy cover toward said perimeter.

2. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 1, wherein said canopy support arms are formed of resilient material.

- 20 3. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 1, wherein said arm attachment portion comprises pivotal attachments for each of said canopy support arms.

4. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 3, wherein said pivotal attachments for each of said canopy support arms limit upward travel of each of said support arms to a plane parallel to an upper surface of said arm attachment portion.

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5. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 4, further comprising means for securing said support arms in said plane parallel to said upper surface of said arm attachment portion.

- 10 6. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 5, wherein said means for securing said support arms in said plane parallel to said upper surface of said arm attachment portion further comprises:

at least three channels, each of said channels having a base, a pair of downward extending sides, means for pivotally attaching said first end of said support arm and being sized and shaped to fit slidably about said first end of said support arm, each of said channels being mounted to a lower surface of said arm attachment portion;

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a cover piece, said cover piece having at least three slots, said slots being sized and shaped to fit slidably about said first end of said support arm and aligned to permit rotation of said support arms;

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said cover piece being rotatably mounted to said lower surface of said arm attachment portion, and having means attached to a lower surface of said cover piece to assist manual rotation of said cover piece; whereby, when said cover piece is rotated to align said slots with said channels, said support arms are pivotable with respect to said arm attachment portion and when said cover piece is rotated to cover said channels, said support arms will be secured in said plane parallel to said upper surface of said arm attachment portion.

- 10 7. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 5, wherein said means for securing said support arms in said plane parallel to said upper surface of said arm attachment portion further comprises:
- 15 at least three channels, each of said channels having a base, a pair of downward extending sides, means for pivotally attaching said first end of said support arm and being sized and shaped to fit slidably about said first end of said support arm, each of said channels being mounted to a lower surface of said arm attachment portion;
- 20 a cover piece, said cover piece having at least three slots, said slots being sized and shaped to fit slidably about said first end of said support arm and aligned to permit rotation of said support arms;

said cover piece being rotatably mounted to said lower surface of said arm
attachment portion, and having means attached to an upper surface of
said cover piece to assist manual rotation of said cover piece;
each of said means extending upwardly through arcuate slots in said arm
attachment portion;

whereby, when said cover piece is rotated to align said slots with said channels,
said support arms are pivotable with respect to said arm attachment
portion and when said cover piece is rotated to cover said channels, said
support arms will be secured in said plane parallel to said upper surface
of said arm attachment portion.

8. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 7, wherein each
of said means extending upwardly through arcuate slots in said arm attachment
portion terminates in a knob for ease of turning.

9. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 1, wherein said
canopy cover is formed of mesh material.

10. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 1, wherein said
canopy cover comprises a reclosable opening, said opening permitting access to an
interior of said co-sleeper, crib or play yard.

11. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 1, wherein said canopy cover comprises at least one hanger attached to said inner surface for suspending items within said canopy cover.
- 5 12. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 1, wherein said canopy cover comprises a central opening in said top, said opening being sized and shaped to permit access to said arm attachment portion of said frame.
13. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 12, wherein said
10 canopy cover further comprises a reclosable cover for said central opening.
14. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 12, wherein said canopy cover further comprises:
- 15 at least one tubular enclosure, said tubular enclosure being disposed upon said inner surface of said canopy cover, having a first end spaced outwardly from said central opening in said top and a second end spaced from said first end, and being sized and shaped to fit slidably over one of said canopy support arms; and
- 20 said tubular enclosure having an opening at said first end for introduction of one of said canopy support arms.

15. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 14, wherein said tubular enclosure further comprises a closed second end.
16. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 15, wherein said
5 closed second end of said tubular enclosure is adjacent said surrounding lower edge of said canopy cover.
17. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 1, wherein said elastic member is integral with said surrounding lower edge of said canopy cover.
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18. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 1, wherein said elastic member is disposed between at least two points disposed upon said inner surface of said canopy cover, said points being spaced downwardly from said top.
- 15 19. The canopy for a co-sleeper, crib or play yard, as described in Claim 1, wherein said inner surface of said canopy cover comprises frictional elements disposed adjacent said surrounding lower edge for securing said canopy to said perimeter.
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